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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re	:	Chapter 11 Case No.
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LEXINGTON PRECISION CORP., <u>et al.</u> ,	:	08-11153 (MG)
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Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
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**NOTICE OF DEBTORS' MOTION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 105(a)  
AND 331 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE AND BANKRUPTCY  
RULE 2016(a) TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR INTERIM MONTHLY  
COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF PROFESSIONALS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT Lexington Precision Corporation and its subsidiary, Lexington Rubber Group, Inc. (together, the "Debtors"), in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court") filed a motion, dated April 2, 2008 (the "Motion"), for entry of an order, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 331 of the title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") and Rule 2016(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") establishing procedures for interim monthly compensation and reimbursement of expenses of professionals.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that objections or responses, if any, to the Motion must be in writing, must conform to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the

“Bankruptcy Rules”) and the Local Rules of the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York, must set forth the name of the objecting party, the nature and amount of claims or interests held or asserted by the objecting party against the Debtors’ estates or property, the basis for the objection and the specific grounds therefor, and must be filed no later than **April 16, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. (Prevailing Eastern Time)** with the Bankruptcy Court electronically in accordance with General Order M-242 (General Order M-242 and the User’s Manual for the Electronic Case Filing System may be found at [www.nysb.uscourts.gov](http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov), the official website for the Bankruptcy Court) by registered users of the Bankruptcy Court’s case filing system, and by all other parties in interest on a 3.5 inch disk, preferably in Portable Document Format (PDF), WordPerfect, or any other Windows-based word processing format (with a hard copy delivered directly to Chambers), in accordance with General Order M-182, and be served upon: (a) the Debtors, Lexington Precision Corp., 800 Third Ave. 15th Floor, New York, New York 10023 (Attn: Michael A. Lubin), (b) the attorneys for the Debtors, Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10153 (Attn: Christopher J. Marcus, Esq. and John W. Lucas, Esq.); (c) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, 33 Whitehall Street, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10004, (Attention: Paul Schwartzberg, Esq.); (d) Waller, Landsden, Dortch & Davis LLP, 511 Union Street, Suite 2700, Nashville, TN, 37219 (Attn: John C. Tishler), attorneys for the Debtors’ prepetition lenders; (e) attorneys for any statutory committees appointed in these cases; and (f) O’Melveny & Meyers, LLP, Times Square Tower, 7 Times Square, New York, NY 10036 (Attn.: Gerald Bender, Esq.), attorneys for Debtors’ proposed postpetition lenders, so as to be received no later than **April 16, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)**.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a hearing to consider the relief requested in the Motion shall be held before the Honorable Martin Glenn, United States Bankruptcy Judge, on **April 22, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)**, at the United States Bankruptcy Court, Alexander Hamilton Custom House, One Bowling Green, New York, New York 10004 or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard.

Dated: April 2, 2008  
New York, New York

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SECTIONS 105(a) AND 331 OF THE BANKRUPTCY  
CODE AND BANKRUPTCY RULE 2016(a) TO ESTABLISH  
PROCEDURES FOR INTERIM MONTHLY COMPENSATION  
AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES OF PROFESSIONALS**

TO THE HONORABLE MARTIN GLENN,  
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Lexington Precision Corporation and Lexington Rubber Group, Inc., as debtors  
and debtors in possession (collectively, "Lexington" or the "Debtors"), respectfully represent:

**Background**

1. On April 1, 2008 (the "Commencement Date"), the Debtors each commenced with this Court a voluntary case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their businesses and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

2. The Debtors' chapter 11 cases have been consolidated for procedural purposes only and are being jointly administered pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules").

### **Lexington's Business**

3. Lexington manufactures large volumes of high-quality rubber and metal components at competitive prices for use primarily in automobiles and medical devices. Lexington operates through two operating segments—the Rubber Group and the Metals Group. Lexington's components are generally sold to other manufacturers.

4. Lexington is one of North America's largest manufacturers of rubber components for the automotive industry. The Rubber Group's principal products are connector seals used in primary wire harnesses and insulators for ignition wire sets. The Rubber Group also manufactures and sells rubber components used in a variety of medical devices, including drug delivery systems, syringes, laparoscopic instruments, and catheters, which are sold to some of the world's largest medical device manufacturers.

5. The Metals Group manufactures high-volume aluminum, brass, steel, and stainless steel components machined from bars, forgings, and cold-headed blanks primarily for manufacturers within the automotive industry. These components are used in many applications, including heating and cooling systems, airbag systems, solenoids, switches, and valves.

6. Lexington is headquartered in New York, New York, and maintains manufacturing plants in New York, Georgia, Ohio, and South Carolina. As of February 29, 2008, Lexington employed approximately 651 permanent and 22 temporary employees, of which 134 are salaried employees and 517 are hourly employees. In 2007, Rubber Group net sales totaled \$74.5 million and Metals Group net sales totaled \$13.8 million. As of December 31,

2007, Lexington's consolidated unaudited financial statements reflected assets totaling approximately \$52.6 million, and current liabilities totaling approximately \$88.5 million. Notwithstanding the Debtors' negative "book net worth" calculated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, the Debtors have received a number of offers for all or portions of the assets and business of the Lexington Rubber Group, the largest of the Debtors' operations and the generator of the preponderance of the Debtors' sales and earnings, each of which clearly indicates that the value of the Debtors' assets far exceeds the Debtors' liabilities. Consequently, the Debtors believe that they are solvent and that the equity securities of Lexington Precision have significant value.

#### **Jurisdiction**

7. This Court has jurisdiction to consider this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

#### **Relief Requested**

8. The Debtors seek entry of an order pursuant to sections 105(a) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 2016(a) establishing an orderly and regular process for allowance and payment of interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses for attorneys and other professionals (collectively, the "Professionals") whose services are authorized by this Court pursuant to sections 327 or 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code and who will be required to file applications for allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. In addition, the Debtors seek approval of a procedure for reimbursement of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred by members of any statutory committee appointed in these cases.

### **Retention of Professionals**

9. By separate applications filed on or about the date hereof, the Debtors will also be seeking authority to employ Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP as counsel to represent them in these chapter 11 cases and a claims and noticing agent. The Debtors may need to retain additional professionals in connection with the continued prosecution of the chapter 11 cases.<sup>1</sup> In addition, a statutory committee of unsecured claimholders will be appointed in these cases pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code, and will likely retain counsel and other professionals to represent it in these cases.

### **Proposed Procedures**

10. Pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, all Professionals are entitled to submit applications for interim compensation and reimbursement of expenses every 120 days, or more often if the court permits. In addition, section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code authorizes the court to issue any order “that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of [the Bankruptcy Code],” thereby codifying the bankruptcy court’s inherent equitable powers. 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Thus, the Court has ample authority to enter an order authorizing the interim monthly compensation and reimbursement of expenses procedures requested herein.

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<sup>1</sup> “Ordinary course” professionals (“Ordinary Course Professionals”) may be retained in accordance with the Debtors’ Motion Pursuant to Sections 105(a), 327, 328, and 330 of the Bankruptcy Code for Authorization to Employ Professionals Used in the Ordinary Course of the Debtors’ Business (the “Ordinary Course Professionals Motion”). If the Court grants the Ordinary Course Professionals Motion, such professionals will not need to file individual retention applications and Debtors will pay the professionals in full without interim or final fee applications, subject to monthly caps on fees and expenses. The Ordinary Course Professional Motion requires any Ordinary Course Professional seeking payment of fees exceeding the monthly cap to file a fee application pursuant to the proposed order annexed hereto for the fees earned and expenses incurred in the month in which the Ordinary Course Professional exceeded cap.

11. The Debtors seek the entry of an order in accordance with the standing General Orders M-219 and M 348<sup>2</sup> of the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the “Standing Orders”), establishing procedures for monthly compensation and reimbursement of expenses of professionals, and pursuant to sections 105(a) and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and Rule 2014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure.

12. Specifically, the Debtors propose that the payment of compensation and reimbursement of expenses of Professionals be structured as follows (collectively, the “Interim Compensation Procedures”):

- (a) On or before the **thirtieth (30th)** day of each month following the month for which compensation is sought, each Professional seeking compensation shall file with the Court a monthly statement and serve (the “Monthly Statement”), by hand or overnight delivery, on (i) Lexington Precision Corporation, 800 Third Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, New York 10023 (Attn: Michael A. Lubin); (ii) Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10153 (Attn: Christopher J. Marcus, Esq and John W. Lucas, Esq.), attorneys for the Debtors; (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee, 33 Whitehall Street, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10004; (iv) Waller, Landsden, Dortch & Davis LLP, 511 Union Street, Suite 2700, Nashville, TN, 37219 (Attn: John C. Tishler), attorneys for the Debtors’ prepetition lenders; (v) attorneys for any statutory committees appointed in these cases; and (vi) O’Melveny & Meyers, LLP, Times Square Tower, 7 Times Square, New York, NY 10036 (Attn.: Gerald Bender, Esq.), attorneys for Debtors’ proposed postpetition lenders (the “Notice Parties”).
- (b) Each Monthly Statement must contain a list of the individuals and the individuals’ respective titles (e.g., attorney, paralegal, etc.) who provided services during the statement period, the individuals’ respective billing rates, in the case of attorneys, their respective years of graduation from law school, and to the extent applicable, their year of partnership, the aggregate hours spent by each individual, a reasonably detailed breakdown

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<sup>2</sup> While the proposed procedures, as described below, conform substantially to the model procedures found within the Standing Orders, the proposed procedures differ to the extent they extend certain time periods. Specifically, the proposed procedures allow Professionals an additional 10 days to file their Monthly Statements (e.g., Professionals file Monthly Statements on the 30th of each month as opposed to the 20th). Similarly, the proposed procedures allow each Notice Party an additional 10 days to object to any Monthly Statements (e.g., 45 days as opposed to 35 days to object).



of the fees and expenses incurred (no professional should seek reimbursement of an expense that would otherwise not be allowed pursuant to the Court's Administrative Orders dated June 24, 1991 and April 21, 1995 or the United States Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 dated January 30, 1996), and contemporaneously maintained time entries for each individual in increments of tenths (1/10) of an hour or as close thereto as practicable.

- (c) Each Notice Party shall have at least **fifteen (15)** days after receiving the Monthly Statement to review the statement and, if the Notice Party objects to the compensation or reimbursement sought in a particular statement, such Notice Party shall, no later than **the forty-fifth (45th)** day following the month for which compensation is sought, file with the Court and serve upon the professional to whose Monthly Statement the Notice Party objects and the other Notice Parties a written "Notice of Objection to Fee Statement," setting forth the nature of the Notice Party's objection and the amount of fees or expenses at issue.
- (d) At the expiration of the **forty-five (35)** day period, the Debtors shall promptly pay eighty percent (80%) of the fees and one hundred percent (100%) of the expenses identified in each Monthly Statement to which no objection has been served in accordance with paragraph (c) above.
- (e) If the Debtors object or receive an objection to a particular Monthly Statement, the Debtors shall withhold payment of that portion of the Monthly Statement to which the objection is directed and promptly pay the remainder of the fees and disbursements in the percentages set forth in paragraph (d).
- (f) If the parties to an objection resolve their dispute following the service of a Notice of Objection to Fee Statement and if the party whose Monthly Statement was objected to files with the Court and serves on all Notice Parties a statement indicating that the objection is withdrawn and describing the terms of the resolution, then the Debtors shall promptly pay in accordance with paragraph (d) that portion of the Monthly Statement that is no longer subject to an objection.
- (g) All objections that the parties do not resolve shall be preserved and presented to the Court at the next interim or final fee application hearing to be heard by the Court in accordance with paragraph (i) below.
- (h) The filings and service of an objection in accordance with paragraph (c) above shall not prejudice the objecting party's right to object to any fee application made to the Court in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code on any ground regardless of whether the objecting party raised the ground in the objection or not. Furthermore, the decision by any party not to object

to a Monthly Statement shall not waive or prejudice that party's right to object to any fee application subsequently made to the Court in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code.

- (i) Commencing with the period ending July 31, 2008, and at four-month intervals thereafter, each of the professionals shall file with the Court, in accordance with General Order M-242 (which can be found at [www.nysb.uscourts.gov](http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov)), an application (an "Interim Fee Application") for interim Court approval and allowance pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code (as the case may be) of the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested in the fee statements filed during such period (the "Interim Fee Period"). Each professional shall file its Interim Fee Application within forty-five (45) days after the end of the Interim Fee Period for which the request seeks allowance of fees and reimbursement of expenses. Each professional shall file its first Interim Fee Application on or before September 15, 2008, and the first Interim Fee Application shall cover the Interim Fee Period from the Commencement Date through and including July 31, 2008.
- (j) The Debtors' attorneys shall obtain a date from the Court for the hearing of fee applications for all retained professionals. At least 30 days prior to such hearing, the Debtors' attorneys shall file a notice with the Court, with service upon the U.S. Trustee and all retained professionals, setting forth the time, date and location of the fee hearing, the Interim Fee Period applications cover and the objection deadline. Any retained professional unable to file its own fee application with the Court shall deliver to the Debtors' attorneys a fully executed copy with original signatures, along with service copies, three business days before the filing deadline. The Debtors' attorneys shall file and serve such application.
- (k) Any professional who fails to file an application seeking approval of compensation and expenses previously paid pursuant to a Monthly Statement when due shall be ineligible to receive further monthly payments of fees or reimbursement of expenses as provided herein until the professional files its application.
- (l) The pendency of an application or a Court order that payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses was improper as to a particular statement shall not disqualify a professional from the future payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses as set forth above, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.
- (m) Neither the payment of, nor the failure to pay, in whole or in part, monthly compensation and reimbursement as provided herein shall have any effect on this Court's interim or final allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses of any professionals.

13. The Debtors further propose that the attorneys for any statutory committee may, in accordance with the Interim Compensation Procedures collect and submit statements of expenses, with supporting vouchers, from members of the committee he or she represents; provided, however, that these reimbursement requests comply with this Court's Administrative Orders dated June 24, 1991 and April 21, 1995.

14. The proposed Interim Compensation Procedures will enable the Debtors to closely monitor the costs of administration, maintain a level cash flow, and implement efficient cash management procedures. Moreover, these procedures will also allow the Court and the key parties in interest to insure the reasonableness and necessity of the compensation and reimbursement sought pursuant to such procedures.

15. The proposed procedures are similar to those approved in other cases in this district. See, e.g., In re Fortunoff Fine Jewelry and Silverware, LLC, Case No. 08-10353 (JMP) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 29, 2008) [Doc. No. 309]; PRC, LLC, Case No. 08- 08-10239 (MG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Mar. 13, 2008) [Doc. No. 245]; Quebecor World (USA) Inc., Case No. 08-10152 (JMP) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 13, 2008) [Doc. No. 201]; New York Racing Assoc. Inc., Case No. 06-12618 (JMP) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Nov. 22, 2006) [Doc. No. 86]; Silicon Graphics, et. al., Case No. 06-10977 (BRL) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y May 31, 2006) [Doc. No. 47].

#### **Memorandum of Law**

16. The Debtors submit that the relevant authorities are set forth herein, and accordingly, that the requirement contained in Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(b) for the filing of a separate memorandum in support of the Motion is satisfied.

**Notice**

17. No trustee, examiner, or statutory creditors' committee has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases. Notice of this Motion has been provided to (i) the U.S. Trustee, (ii) the attorneys for the agents for the Debtors' prepetition lenders, (iii) the attorneys for the Debtors' proposed postpetition lenders, (iv) the attorneys for the ad hoc committee of noteholders, and (v) the holders of the 30 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors (on a consolidated basis). The Debtors submit that no other or further notice need be provided.

18. No previous request for the relief sought herein has been made to this or any other court.

WHEREFORE the Debtors respectfully request entry of an order granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as is just.

Dated: April 2, 2008  
New York, New York

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**ORDER PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 105(a) AND 331  
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2016(a) ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR INTERIM MONTHLY  
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Upon the Motion dated April 2, 2008 (the “Motion”) of Lexington Precision Corporation and Lexington Rubber Group, Inc., as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the “Debtors”), for an order pursuant to sections 105(a) and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”) and Rule 2016(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy Rules”) to establish procedures for interim monthly compensation and reimbursement of expenses of professionals (the “Professionals”), all as more fully described in the Motion; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Standing Order M-61 Referring to Bankruptcy Judges for the Southern District of New York Any and All Proceedings Under Title 11, dated July 10, 1984 (Ward, Acting C.J.); and consideration of the Motion and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided to (i) the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York, (ii) the attorneys for the agents for the Debtors’ prepetition lenders, (iii) the attorneys for the Debtors’ proposed postpetition lenders, (iv) the attorneys for

the ad hoc committee of noteholders, and (v) the holders of the 30 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors (on a consolidated basis), and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and a hearing having been held to consider the relief requested in the Motion (the “Hearing”); and the appearances of all interested parties having been noted in the record of the Hearing; and upon the Affidavit of Dennis J. Welhouse, sworn to on April 1, 2008 (the “Welhouse Affidavit”), pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 1007-2, the record of the Hearing, and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and all parties in interest and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is

ORDERED that the Motion is granted; and it is further

ORDERED that except as may otherwise be provided in orders of the Court authorizing the retention of specific Professionals, all Professionals in these cases may seek monthly compensation in accordance with the following procedures (the “Interim Compensation Procedures”):

- (a) On or before the **thirtieth (30th)** day of each month following the month for which compensation is sought, each Professional seeking compensation shall file with the Court a monthly statement and serve (the “Monthly Statement”), by hand or overnight delivery, on (i) Lexington Precision Corporation, 800 Third Avenue, 15th Floor, New York, New York 10023 (Attn: Michael A. Lubin); (ii) Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, 767 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10153 (Attn: Christopher J. Marcus, Esq and John W. Lucas, Esq.), attorneys for the Debtors; (iii) the Office of the United States Trustee, 33 Whitehall Street, 21st Floor, New York, New York 10004; (iv) Waller, Landsden, Dortch & Davis LLP, 511 Union Street, Suite 2700, Nashville, TN, 37219 (Attn: John C. Tishler), attorneys for the Debtors’ prepetition lenders; (v) attorneys for any statutory committees appointed in these cases; and (vi) O’Melveny & Meyers, LLP, Times Square Tower, 7 Times Square, New York, NY

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- (b) Each Monthly Statement must contain a list of the individuals and the individuals' respective titles (e.g., attorney, paralegal, etc.) who provided services during the statement period, the individuals' respective billing rates, in the case of attorneys, their respective years of graduation from law school, and to the extent applicable, their year of partnership, the aggregate hours spent by each individual, a reasonably detailed breakdown of the fees and expenses incurred (no professional should seek reimbursement of an expense that would otherwise not be allowed pursuant to the Court's Administrative Orders dated June 24, 1991 and April 21, 1995 or the United States Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 dated January 30, 1996), and contemporaneously maintained time entries for each individual in increments of tenths (1/10) of an hour or as close thereto as practicable.
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- (g) All objections that the parties do not resolve shall be preserved and presented to the Court at the next interim or final fee application hearing to be heard by the Court in accordance with paragraph (i) below.
- (h) The filings and service of an objection in accordance with paragraph (c) above shall not prejudice the objecting party's right to object to any fee application made to the Court in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code on any ground regardless of whether the objecting party raised the ground in the objection or not. Furthermore, the decision by any party not to object to a Monthly Statement shall not waive or prejudice that party's right to object to any fee application subsequently made to the Court in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code.
- (i) Commencing with the period ending July 31, 2008, and at four-month intervals thereafter, each of the professionals shall file with the Court, in accordance with General Order M-242 (which can be found at [www.nysb.uscourts.gov](http://www.nysb.uscourts.gov)), an application (an "Interim Fee Application") for interim Court approval and allowance pursuant to sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code (as the case may be) of the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested in the fee statements filed during such period (the "Interim Fee Period"). Each professional shall file its Interim Fee Application within forty-five (45) days after the end of the Interim Fee Period for which the request seeks allowance of fees and reimbursement of expenses. Each professional shall file its first Interim Fee Application on or before September 15, 2008, and the first Interim Fee Application shall cover the Interim Fee Period from the Commencement Date through and including July 31, 2008.
- (j) The Debtors' attorneys shall obtain a date from the Court for the hearing of fee applications for all retained professionals. At least 30 days prior to such hearing, the Debtors' attorneys shall file a notice with the Court, with service upon the U.S. Trustee and all retained professionals, setting forth the time, date and location of the fee hearing, the Interim Fee Period applications cover and the objection deadline. Any retained professional unable to file its own fee application with the Court shall deliver to the Debtors' attorneys a fully executed copy with original signatures, along with service copies, three business days before the filing deadline. The Debtors' attorneys shall file and serve such application.
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particular statement shall not disqualify a professional from the future payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses as set forth above, unless otherwise ordered by the Court.

- (m) Neither the payment of, nor the failure to pay, in whole or in part, monthly compensation and reimbursement as provided herein shall have any effect on this Court's interim or final allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses of any professionals.

; and it is further

ORDERED that the amount of fees and disbursements sought be set out in U.S. dollars; and it is further

ORDERED that the attorneys for any statutory committee may, in accordance with the Interim Compensation Procedures collect and submit statements of expenses, with supporting vouchers, from members of the committee he or she represents; provided, however, that these reimbursement requests comply with this Court's Administrative Orders, dated June 24, 1991 and April 21, 1995; and it is further

ORDERED that the Debtors shall include all payments to professionals on their monthly operating reports, detailed so as to state the amount paid to each professional; and it is further

ORDERED that all time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Rule 9006(a) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; and it is further

ORDERED that the requirement set forth in Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(b) for the filing of a separate memorandum of law in support of the Motion is satisfied.

Dated: April \_\_, 2008  
New York, New York

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United States Bankruptcy Judge